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LOCAL NEWS.

SOME of the agriculturalists are beginning to clamor for another shower.

THE three-year-old son of Mr. George Muhlburger died Sunday morning.

THE weather at present measured by the extreme heat of last week is not "so warm."

By an affidavit filed in justice court Monday Elnora Roberson charges George Roberson with wife beating.

ARTESIAN water at a depth of 110 feet has been struck on County Attorney Buchanan's farm on the Brazos.

DON'T hesitate to rally around those enterprising citizens who are putting forth their best efforts for a county fair.

FOUR attached witnesses in the custody of Deputy Langhammer left for Bastrop Sunday to testify in an assault to murder case.

THE Second Regiment Band gave another of their splendid concerts at Germania park Sunday evening to an excellent attendance.

THE little son of Mr. Henry Abel who lives near town is wearing his arm in a sling as a result of falling out of a tree Sunday afternoon.

THE Good Hope Western Baptist Association will convene at the Mount Rose Baptist church on Thursday, July 15th, and continue until the following Monday.

A SIDEWALK is badly needed on the north end of Jackson street near the McFadden compress, and residents along this thoroughfare are preparing to memorialize the mayor and see if it can be secured.

THE bridge of sighs was traversed by two pilgrims Monday morning, John Jones and Ed Hamilton by name, charged with having disturbed the peace by throwing rocks at each other Saturday evening. They were each fined \$1 and costs.

THE ladies of the Christian Church will give an ice-cream supper on their church lot on Cottonwood street Thursday night July 1st. Various refreshments will be served at moderate prices and an enjoyable time promised to all.

AN affidavit charging aggravated assault was filed Monday morning by Fritz Fueorberg against Fritz Lange. The case grew out of the stabbing of the former by the latter at a dance out on Kuykendal a few nights ago.

A FREE ice water dispensary for the benefit of thirsty bicycle riders in particular and the public in general has been established by Mr. W. J. Graber. Every individual who slakes his thirst with a pint or so of gratis cooling will drink to the health of the large hearted donor.

THE trustees of the Mount Rose Baptist church have requested the pastor, Rev. Mose Johnsen, to solicit funds for the purpose of repainting their church on which work has already commenced. The hands employed in painting the edifice will want their money this week, and "Uncle Mose" hopes his white friends will assist him in the matter.

HORSE WHIPPED HIM.

Bill Hill Receives a Few Licks From a Stolen Quirt.

Bill Hill, colored, was horse whipped on St. Charles street Monday afternoon by Mr. L. J. Lockett, an ordinary riding quirt being the instrument used for the chastisement, which was sufficiently severe to mark the negro's back in several places. The quirt in question was stolen from Lockett's stable and was in Hill's possession until the owner happened along in search of it, and snatching it away from the negro proceeded to use it in the manner set forth above. Hill filed complaint in justice court charging a simple assault. A plea of guilty was entered and a fine of \$1 and costs assessed.

Postmaster Since 1865.

The following autobiography of John Alexander, Sr., who died at Washington last week was furnished by him to the Galveston News in 1895: I was born in 1809 in Mauchline, Ayrshire, Scotland, educated and raised there; went to London in 1838; came to America in 1848; lived a short time in Houston; came to this county in 1849; came to Washington in 1855; worked at carpenter work till 1865, when I took the postoffice and have had it ever since; commenced reading The News in 1849. This is a distributing office, and besides the mail for this office I have the mail for six other offices to handle and put in the saddle bags. This keeps me on my feet a long time. At 86 years old I am not as strong as I used to be. I send you a photo; it was taken twenty years ago, but I am told it is a good likeness now. I have not altered much in that time."

"In the Swim."

The genial proprietor of the great summer resort at Stone, Mr. Archie Watson, was wreathed in smiles and perspiration Sunday afternoon, the smiles greatly predominating, and as he passed out a free ticket to the BANNER reporter and punched it for a water suit he spoke in this wise: "When we opened up out here a month ago I had a hundred bathing suits made, and thought the supply amply sufficient for years to come. Now today every one of those hundred suits have been wet at least three times around, and we can't keep the drying process on a parity with the demand. I have placed an order for an additional supply sufficient to array half of Brenham in 'water colors' and am anxious to see how many people we can put 'in the swim' at one time."

THE Wiley Jubilee Troupe, of Wiley University, Marshall, gave a concert at the Watrousville A. M. E. Church Monday night for the benefit of the university. There was an excellent crowd in attendance all of whom were more than pleased with the performance. There are eight singers in the troupe divided equally into sopranos, altos, basses and tenors, and their vocal selections are in every case excellently rendered.

WILL CAIN, the 10-year-old son of the republican county chairman, John C. Cain, was the victim of a most painful and peculiar accident Sunday afternoon. He was riding a bicycle in Camp-town. In going down the long hill on Sandy street leading to Hog branch, the great toe on his right foot caught between the sprocket and chain and was mashed completely off.

Officers Elected.

Shobona Tribe, No. 20, of Red Men, exercised their suffrage rights at their regular Monday night meeting, with the following results:

Henry Harrison, Sachem.
L. M. Simon, Senior Sagamore.
Wm. Morris, Junior Sagamore.
C. H. Carlisle, Prophet and Representative to the Grand Council.

THE DRUIDS.

Grand Grove of the Ancient Order in Session—First Day's Proceedings.

The Grand Grove of the United Ancient Order of Druids convened at Zeiss' hall at 9 o'clock Monday morning, Noble Grand Arch Fred Henry of Waco presiding. The following grand officers answered to roll call:

Fred Henry, noble grand arch, Waco.

W. C. Schill, deputy grand arch, protom, Brenham.

Jake Chaure, grand secretary Waco.

Ben Schmid, grand treasurer, Brenham.

C. Cosentine, grand marshal, Galveston.

H. B. Wilson, grand inside guard, Austin.

M. Amsler, grand outside guard, Brenham.

Seventeen Subordinates groves are represented in the grand grove, which have a combined membership of over a thousand, according to reports sent in to the grand grove.

The morning session was devoted to the hearing of reports from the grand officers present, and the afternoon to committee work, the following committees being appointed by the noble grand arch:

Finance: C. N. Blum, Temple; W. W. Otto, Austin; W. C. Schill, Brenham.

State of order: H. B. Wilson, Austin; J. D. Hanson, Galveston; Jake Chaure, Waco.

Law: Jake Chaure, Waco; H. B. Wilson, Austin; W. C. Schill, Brenham.

Relief: C. Cosentine, Galveston; H. B. Wilson, Austin; Jake Chaure, Waco.

Obituary: Ben Schmid, Brenham; D. J. Hanson, Galveston; G. Wittrote, Galveston.

Appeals and grievances: D. J. Hanson, Galveston; B. Schmid, Brenham; G. Wittrote, Galveston.

Monday night the Grand Grove met with Brenham Grove, No. 2, for conferring degrees on a number of applicants.

An election of officers will take place this morning, and a grand ball and banquet at Germania tonight will conclude the session of the Grand Grove.

SHOT AND KILLED.

A Man Called Out of Bed and Filled With Shot.

A Caldwell special of the 28th says: Yesterday morning about 3 o'clock Mr. S. A. McClarley was shot and killed almost instantly in the Brazos bottom, this county. A negro came to the house where he was spending the night and called for him. McClarley poked his head out at a window and it received the load from a shotgun in the hands of the negro. Yesterday Justice T. H. Skrabanek held an inquest. The deceased was a young man, unmarried and about 23 years old, and was formerly a guard on White's convict farm in this county. At that time the alleged murderer was one of the convicts working under him. The murderer was captured.

She Forgave Him.

George Roberson appeared in justice court Tuesday morning as defendant in a case wherein the State was plaintiff. The charge was wife beating. But ere the cause underwent the preliminary process of preparation for trial the stony heart of his wife melted at her husband's predicament. She relented and refused to testify against him. The charge of wife beating was dismissed and one of disturbing the peace substituted. To the latter the defendant plead guilty and was fined \$1 and costs.

PHOTOGRAPHER HOLLAND visited Independence Tuesday to make several views of General Sam Houston's residence, previous to its removal to the battlefield of San Jacinto.

Sam R. Eyler.

"Number 30" has been hung on the hook and the light turned out in the career of Sam R. Eyler, a veterans member of the art preservative, who has been identified with the newspapers of this city and section for several years. His death, which resulted from dropsy, occurred Sunday night at the residence of Mr. George Tucker, of the Evening Press, in whose employ he had been for several months previous to the malady that terminated his existence.

Sam R. Eyler was a type of journeyman printer now nearly extinct, and had outlived the system under which he grew up. In the days of the old regime a man of his industry and skill was never at a loss for employment at good wages. Work was plentiful. Workers were scarce and "a card" in the typographical union was an open sesame to a lucrative position whenever presented. No other recommendation was needed or required.

The prodigality for which printers are proverbial the world over resulted from the ease with which in the past they could obtain employment and good wages. In such a school of methods the deceased grew up to be a master of the craft, and but for a life of dissipation which brought him to an early grave, there is no doubt that he would have attained an eminence in artistic printing which very few men of his day have reached. Although a resident of Brenham for several years his list of acquaintances outside of printing circles was very limited, and those most familiar with him know very little concerning his past. Ohio was the State of his nativity and early youth. His only living relative in this State so far as known is a brother at El Paso.

The funeral occurred at noon Monday, Rev. E. P. Newsom conducting the service.

Greenville Locals.

The weather continues warm and dry. We have had insignificant showers of rain and had apparent prospects for more, but all signs have faded away.

The colored people celebrated their Nineteenth of June in a creditable manner. Their feast was in every respect a grand success.

A. A. Campbell has sold his gin and farm, located one mile east of Greenville, to Henry Kramer. Mr. Campbell and family will make this place their home for an indefinite time.

Miss Lou Boyd has been visiting relatives and friends here and has now returned to her home in Cleburne.

A. J. Williams has gone on a land prospecting tour in the coast counties of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Foehner, of Latium, have had the misfortune to lose their infant child.

For the accommodation of the Brenham patriots who will celebrate the glorious fourth at Lyons the Santa Fe has agreed to attach a coach to their local freight, which will leave here at 9 a. m. Saturday. It is expected that the attendance will be quite large.

THE Dixie restaurant is being moved one door from its present location into the apartment formerly occupied by C. W. Hess' saltery.

In county court Tuesday James Smith plead guilty to an allegation of malicious mischief and was fined \$5 by Judge Curry.

A DALLAS judge has inaugurated a new policy of putting on the juries citizens who would rather not serve and of leaving off those who make jury service a business.

THE hotels in Nashville are being taxed to their utmost to accommodate the crowds of visitors to the Tennessee Centennial Exposition. The guests are also being taxed to their utmost capacities.

DRUIDS ADJOURN.

Grand Grove Completes its Labors Tuesday Afternoon—Banquet and Ball at Germania Park.

The second day's session of the Grand Grove of Ancient United Order of Druids convened at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning at Zeiss' hall, and by a hard day's work completed its labors at 8 p. m. The business transacted related to the secret work of the order and was not furnished the newspapers.

The election for Grand Grove officers resulted in the choice of the following, who will serve until the next meeting of the Grand Grove which will be held at Austin one year from this date:

H. P. Wilson, Austin, Noble Grand Arch.

W. W. Otto, Austin, Deputy Grand Arch.

Jake Chaure, Waco, Grand Secretary.

B. Schmid, Brenham, Grand Treasurer.

C. Cassentine, Galveston, Grand Marshal.

J. Vittrote, Galveston, Grand Herald.

The finance committee is composed of J. D. Hansen, Waco, W. W. Otto, Austin, and W. C. Schill, Brenham.

Previous to adjournment resolutions of thanks and appreciation for the entertainment received at the hands of Brenham Grove, No. 2, were adopted.

The Banquet.

The Grand Grove officers and delegates and a number of visitors were tendered a banquet at Germania Park Tuesday evening by Brenham Grove No. 2. By eight o'clock the guests began to assemble at this delightful pleasure resort—a veritable grove such as was the assembling place of the Druids of old in the grey dawn of history. Previous to the formal exercises of the occasion Voss' string band discoursed some sweet music from the balcony and the Druids and their guests occupied the comfortable park settees, and drank in the music and other things, laughed, chatted and made merry, until Hon. Ben S. Rogers as master of ceremonies announced the arrival of the banquet hour. The festal board with a seating capacity of two hundred or more had been arranged in the open air. Here the guests of the evening sat down to a tempting spread of good cheer, and as far as the reporter could see did equal and exact justice to the viands.

Introduced by the master of ceremonies, Dr. E. Simon, in behalf of Brenham Grove, bade the visitors welcome. He said:

Ladies and gentlemen and fellow Druids: When the pleasant honor was conferred upon me, fellow Druids of the grand grove, to welcome you on behalf of the Brenham grove, no one felt keener than I how little able I am to give my feelings adequate expression. Hoping you will excuse this inability, I beg to state that we thank you from our very hearts for the honor shown us in selecting Brenham as the place of your meeting. We appreciate the honor the higher the more we are convinced that this meeting will be productive of splendid results; that your deliberations will lead in the near future to a marked progress of our ancient order. We behold in you the brethren chosen to carry aloof the glorious banner of benevolence and friendly forbearance and mutual toleration. We all hope that new groves may spring up from today in every town, village hamlet in this, the Empire State of the south. We hope that the membership will increase rapidly; that "Unity Peace and Concord" will soon be the battle cry of the best citizens of the State.

In this confidence Brenham grove extends to you a hearty welcome. We hope that you are

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pleased with what little arrangements we have made. Then we can trust that the days spent in our city will be remembered by every one of you, not only as days of hard and earnest work, but of pleasure and enjoyment as well. Once more let me assure you that it gives every one of us great pleasure to have you in our midst. Let us hope that this evening with its social features will long be remembered by us all. And now I ask of you that you receive everything we have to offer in the same friendly spirit in which it is tendered.

Mr. Fred Henry, of Waco, the retiring noble grand arch, made a brief response thanking the members of Brenham grove for the courtesies extended, and sketching the history and purposes of the ancient order. He showed that beyond the scope of written history the order existed, and its members ruled the earth. The highest summit that could be attained in those days was to become a Druid. The order survived through many hardships and persecutions at the hands of the Romans, especially during the reign of Julius Caesar. In 1781 it emerged from the clouds that had engulfed it and spread over the entire world. As long as its members respected its officers, obeyed its laws and practiced its principles, membership in the order would be synonymous with good citizenship, and the golden rule be established.

The evening concluded with dancing which continued for several hours.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Following is a list of real estate transfers recorded by the county clerk for the week ending June 29th, 1897:

F. W. Wood to Jas. Brown, one lot in Brenham	300 00
Wm. Watson and wife to John Watson, 13 acres, Isaac Leo league	1,000 00
J. A. Wilkins to John G. Robinson, one lot in Brenham	90 00
F. G. Roberts and wife to Turner Hall, 6 acres Jos. Davis league	140 00
D. W. Weeden and wife to Wm. Feindetal, one acre B. M. Half-field league for graveyard	1 00
Ed. Green to F. W. Wood, two lots in Brenham	2000 00
Otto Wallney and wife to F. W. Wood, one lot in Brenham	1600 00
J. M. Henderson special commissioner to F. W. Wood, two lots in Brenham	600 00
Sheriff of Washington county to Mrs. E. Madden, 46 acres in Washington county	2350 00
J. H. and Scurry Foster to John Carlisle, 140 acres Joel Laskery league	3500 00
B. F. Roberson to P. E. and Irene Harmon, 83 acres P. H. Coe league	2000 00

MR. HENRY CARUTHERS who is dispensing melons at the corner of Main and Douglas streets has an extensive reputation for raising the finest melons in the county, and judging by the toothsome of the one with which he complimented the BANNER Tuesday morning the reputation is pretty thoroughly sustained.

List of County Jurors.

The following jurors have been drawn for the July term of the county court:

F. Heinicke, G. S. Hudson, Christian Wielkins, E. K. Felder, William Mercer, Scurry Foster, Wm. Sonenberg, Jesse Muse, Fritz Kramer, C. W. Laas, E. J. Tucker, Will Matthews.

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